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### **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk and Administrator The Public Service Commission of South Carolina Synergy Business Park 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Docket No. 2014-323-G

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Pursuant to the Commission's Order No. 2014-994 dated December 1, 2014 approving Piedmont's Proposed Revised Rate Schedules 206 & 207 in Docket No. 2014-323-G, attached are South Carolina Rate Schedules 206 & 207 with an effective date of December 1, 2014.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, you may reach me at the number shown above.

Sincerely,

Moore & Van Allen, PLLC

s/ Scott M. Tyler Scott M. Tyler

Enclosures

c: Office of Regulatory Staff Mr. David Carpenter Ms. Pia Powers

# Rate Schedule 206

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### RATE SCHEDULE 206 SCHEDULE FOR LIMITING AND CURTAILING SERVICE

### **Applicability and Character of Service**

This Service Schedule defines the types of curtailment that the Company may invoke from time to time due to the occurrence of extreme weather conditions, operating conditions or force majeure events, and describes the process and procedures to be followed in the implementation of gas service restrictions.

### **Distribution Pressure Curtailments**

Due to extreme weather conditions, operating conditions or force majeure events as defined in the Company's Service Regulations, or the demands of the Company's firm Customers as the same may affect the Company's ability to provide interruptible service, the Company may experience localized pressure deficiencies. During such times and within the areas affected, the Company will curtail service to interruptible Customers served under Rate Schedule 204, Rate Schedule 208, or Rate Schedule 214, by priority of their margin contribution to the Company (curtailing Customers with the lowest margin rate first) until the pressure situation can be alleviated. In the unlikely event that further interruption is required, the Company will proceed with curtailment by margin contribution considering end use, impact on the local economy, and the Rules and Regulations of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

### **Supply or Capacity Related Curtailments**

In situations when supply and capacity services contracted by the Company are not sufficient to meet the full requirements of Customers desiring sales services from the Company, the Company will first curtail service to interruptible sales Customers receiving service under Rate Schedule 204 or 208 by priority of their margin contribution to the Company. The Company reserves the right at the Company's discretion to purchase quantities being delivered to the Company by Customers under Rate Schedule 214 at market prices in order to serve Customers without operable alternative fuel capability. In the unlikely event that further interruption is required, the Company will proceed with curtailment by margin contribution considering end use, impact on the local economy, and the Rules and Regulations of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

### **Emergency Service**

The Company will make every reasonable effort to deliver/redeliver plant protection volumes to industrial and commercial Customers that do not have standby fuel systems sufficient to prevent damage to facilities or danger to personnel, or to Customers that find it impossible to continue operations on the Customer's standby or alternate energy source as a result of a bona fide existing or threatened emergency. This includes the protection of such existing material in process that would otherwise be destroyed, or deliveries required to maintain plant production. All emergency service is interruptible and is of a discretionary nature on the part of the Company and implies no present or future obligation of the Company to any Customer to provide such service on either a temporary or continuing basis. Deliveries/Redeliveries of gas for emergency service hereunder shall be made pursuant only to advance operating arrangements between the Company's authorized personnel and the Customer and shall be subject to curtailment and interruption at any time should the Company deem it necessary.

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### **Rate for Emergency Service**

If the Company has authorized the Customer to receive emergency service as provided in the above paragraph, then all gas so consumed by the Customer for emergency service will be at a rate set forth on the Company's "Rates and Charges" tariff sheet, plus the usage rate for Rate Schedule 204 and 214 as applicable, plus the higher of two commodity indices - a "Monthly Contract Price" or a "Daily Price" - for each dekatherm of consumption. "Monthly Contract" shall be defined as the monthly contract index price for the applicable calendar month as first published in Inside F.E.R.C.'s - Gas Market Report in the table titled "Prices of Spot Gas Delivered to Pipelines" under the heading "Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp. - Zone 3 (pooling points)" in the column titled "Index", plus Transco's zone 3 to zone 5 IT transportation rate inclusive of all surcharges and fuel. "Daily Price" shall be defined as the daily price for gas defined by Gas Daily as stated in the "Daily Price Survey", "Citygates", "Transco Z6 (non-NY)", "Midpoint" price. For days of consumption when the Gas Daily is not published, the Gas Daily price shall equal the price as published on the nearest subsequent day by Gas Daily. Customers who bring into Piedmont's system authorized quantities of gas for emergency service redeliveries shall not be subject to the commodity index billing stated above for such quantities. The Customer's consumption will continue to be billed hereunder until the Company notifies the Customer that either (1) further gas sales may be made under the Customer's regular Rate Schedule or (2) complete curtailment is unavoidable and that further gas sales will be considered unauthorized.

#### **Unauthorized Over Run Penalty**

If at any time a Customer fails to discontinue the consumption of gas after being directed to do so by the Company or takes gas at levels in excess of the quantities specified by the Company, such quantities shall constitute an unauthorized over run volume. For each dekatherm of such unauthorized over run volume taken by such Customer, such Customer shall pay to the Company a rate set forth on the Company's "Rates and Charges" tariff sheet, plus the usage rate for Rate Schedule 204 and 214 as applicable, plus the higher of two gas commodity indices - a "Monthly Contract Price" or a "Daily Price" as both are defined above.

The Customer's consumption will continue to be unauthorized until the Company notifies the Customer that either (1) further gas sales may be made under the Customer's regular rate schedule or (2) the Company agrees to provide Emergency Service under this Rate Schedule, or (3) the Company terminates flow at the valve.

The Customer shall be liable for the above charges together with and in addition to any incremental charges or assessments (including, but not limited to penalties) by the upstream interstate pipeline during the time of the unauthorized usage by such Customer. The payment of a penalty for unauthorized over run volumes shall not under any circumstances be considered as giving any such Customer the right to take unauthorized over run volumes, nor shall such payment be considered as a substitute for any other remedies available to the Company or any other Customer against the offending Customer for failure to adhere to its obligations under the provisions of this Rate Schedule.

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### **Payment of Bills**

Bills are net and due upon receipt. Bills become past due 15 days after bill date.

### **Late Payment Charge**

A late payment charge of one and one-half percent  $(1\frac{1}{2}\%)$  per month will be applied to all customers' balances not paid prior to the next month's billing date.

### Applicable Documents Defining Obligations of the Company and Its Customers

Service under this rate schedule is subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission Rules") and to the Company's Service Regulations. Among other things, the Commission Rules and the Company's Service Regulations permit the interruption or curtailment of service under certain conditions, including events of *force majeure* and operating conditions. A copy of the Commission's Rules may be obtained from the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Dr., Columbia, SC 29210, upon payment of the applicable fee. The Company's Service Regulations may be obtained at each of the district offices of the Company. Unofficial copies of the Company's Service Regulations are available at the Company's Web Site at <a href="https://www.piedmontng.com">www.piedmontng.com</a>.

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# Rate Schedule 207

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## RATE SCHEDULE 207 BALANCING, CASH-OUT, AND AGENCY AUTHORIZATION

### **Applicability**

The provisions of this Rate Schedule 207 shall apply to all tariffed transportation services provided by the Company under Rate Schedules 213 and 214, as well as all transportation special contracts, unless expressly provided otherwise therein.

### **Limitations on Intra-month Imbalances**

Receipts and deliveries of gas hereunder shall be at uniform rates of flow with no significant fluctuations or imbalances. Customer (or its Agent) is responsible to match daily gas deliveries into the Company's system with daily gas consumption by Customer as closely as possible. Any imbalances shall be corrected by the Customer (or its Agent), insofar as practicable, during the month in which they occur. Customer (or its Agent) is expected to proactively manage intramonth imbalances. Customer (or its Agent) may adjust its daily nominations during a month in order to correct any accumulated imbalance and maintain a monthly balance subject to the operating limitations of the Company. The Company reserves the right to limit the amount of such imbalances to avoid operating problems, comply with balancing requirements of the upstream pipeline(s), and to mitigate the need to acquire additional daily supply at prices that would adversely affect sales customers. The Customer (or its Agent) will be responsible for any imbalance charges assessed by upstream pipeline(s) in connection with any gas transported by the Customer under this Rate Schedule.

In the event Customer (or its Agent) fails to abide by the requirements set forth above, the Company shall have the right to curtail deliveries to Customer (Customers in a transportation pool operated by a single Agent will be curtailed on a pro rata basis based on nominated quantities) if an imbalance is negative or reducing Customer's nominated quantities if an imbalance is positive. The Customer will be responsible for any imbalance charges assessed by upstream pipeline(s) in connection with any gas transported by the Customer. The Company reserves the right to take other reasonable action to mitigate system operational problems. The Company will use its reasonable efforts to notify the Customer or the Customer's Agent before proceeding with a unilateral nomination reduction or delivery curtailment and will notify Customer of any reduction to Customer's nomination that has been instituted by the Company. The Company reserves the right to initiate Standby Sales Service if elected by the Customer pursuant to Rate Schedule 213 when, in the judgment of the Company, such action is necessary to reduce or eliminate operational problems resulting from the gas imbalances of the Customer. The Company will use reasonable efforts to notify the Customer or the Customers' Agent before initiating Standby Sales Service hereunder.

By 11:30 am Eastern Time on the fifth business day prior to the beginning of each month, the Customer must inform the Company of the nominating Agent for gas to be transported. If no notification to the contrary is provided, the Agent providing service during the prior month shall be deemed to be the nominating Agent by default. By 11:30 am Eastern Time on the fourth business day prior to the beginning of each month, the Customer shall submit a timely and valid nomination for transportation. Changes to nominations for gas transportation within the month are due by 11:30 am Eastern Time on the day prior to gas flow. Company will have no obligation to accommodate intraday nomination changes.

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### **Balancing On Upstream Pipeline(s)**

It shall be the Customer's responsibility to remain in balance on a daily and monthly basis with upstream pipeline(s) to avoid any assessment of penalties by such pipeline(s) against the Company. If the Company is assessed a penalty by an upstream pipeline, the Company shall have the right to pass-through all such penalties to the Customer or its Agent if the Customer has had an imbalance with the Company during the period for which the penalty was assessed.

### **Monthly Imbalance Resolution**

Any differences between the monthly quantities delivered to the Company's city gate facilities for the account of the Customer, and the monthly quantities consumed by the Customer as metered by the Company, shall be the monthly imbalance. The Percentage of Imbalance is defined as the monthly imbalance divided by the monthly quantities consumed by the customer. Unless the Company and Customer agree to correct imbalances "in kind," the imbalance shall be resolved monthly by "cashing out" the imbalances as they are known to exist at that time. If the Customer consumes more gas than it has delivered to the Company, the Customer will be deemed to be "short" by the amount of the deficiency, and the Company will sell the amount of the deficiency to the Customer by charging the price as specified below. If the Customer consumes less gas than has been delivered to the Company, the Customer will be deemed to be "long" by the amount of the surplus, and the Company will buy the amount of the surplus from the Customer by paying the price as specified below.

If the Customer's imbalance is less than or equal to 2% of the total monthly volume consumed, or if the total aggregated imbalance for the Agent is less than or equal to 2% of the total volume consumed by all of the Agent's Customers in that transportation pool, then the price paid by the Company if the imbalance is long or the price paid by the Customer (or Agent) if the imbalance is short will be the sum of (a) the average of all published indices for the month as published in Natural Gas Week as stated in the "Gas Price Report" table under "Louisiana, Gulf Coast, Onshore, Spot Delivered to Pipeline" plus (b) the rate under Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line's Rate Schedule IT, including applicable fuel and surcharges, for service from Zone 3 to Zone 5.

If the Customer's Percentage of Imbalance is more than 2%, or if the total aggregated Percentage of Imbalance for the Agent is more than 2% for all of the Agent's Customers in that transportation pool, then the price paid by the Company if the imbalance is long is the lower of the monthly index price listed in Platts Inside FERC's Gas Market Report for Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Zone 3 deliveries plus applicable fuel and FT variable charges under Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line's Rate Schedule FT for service from Zone 3 to Zone 5 or the lowest weekly index price listed in Natural Gas Week's Gas Price Report "Delivered to Pipeline" for volumes listed under Louisiana — Gulf Coast, Onshore plus applicable fuel and FT variable charges under Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line's Rate Schedule FT for service from Zone 3 to Zone 5. If Customer (or Agent) imbalance is short, then the price paid by the Customer (or Agent) will be the higher of the monthly index price listed in Platts Inside FERC's Gas Market Report for Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Zone 3 deliveries plus applicable fuel and IT variable charges under Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line's Rate Schedule IT for service from Zone 3 to Zone 5 or the highest weekly index price listed in Natural Gas Week's Gas Price Report "Delivered to Pipeline" for volumes listed under Louisiana — Gulf Coast, Onshore plus applicable fuel and IT

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variable charges under Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line's Rate Schedule IT for service from Zone 3 to Zone 5.

If the Percentage of Imbalance for the Customer (or Agent) is "short" by more than 2%, the price paid by the Customer (or Agent) to the Company for each dekatherm of the total deficiency will be equal to the price listed above for short imbalances times the premium percentage corresponding to the percentage of the deficiency listed in the table below.

If the Percentage of Imbalance for the Customer (or Agent) is "long" by more than 2%, the price paid by the Company to the Customer (or Agent) for each dekatherm of the total surplus will be equal to the price listed above for long imbalances times the discount percentage corresponding to the percentage of the surplus listed in the table below.

Percentage of the Imbalance	Short (Premium)	Long (Discount)
Over 2% & equal to or less than 5%	110%	90%
Over 5% & equal to or less than 10%	120%	80%
Over 10% & equal to or less than 15%	130%	70%
Over 15% & equal to or less than 20%	140%	60%
Over 20%	150%	50%

#### **Agency Authorization Form**

Certain Rate Schedules permit a Customer to appoint a Customer's Agent to act on its behalf with respect to nominations, imbalance resolution, and/or billing. Customer shall authorize a Customer's Agent by executing an Agency Authorization Form in the form attached to this Rate Schedule. In order to be considered a Customer's Agent, a third party must execute and be in compliance with all of the terms of the Customer Agent Agreement form set forth in Appendix B to the Company's Service Regulations. To the extent that the Agent appointed by the Customer is common to other Customers of the Company, the Company will permit such Agent to aggregate all such qualifying Customers' transportation quantities for purposes of administering service to such Agent. Once a Customer has designated an Agent, the Agent is then authorized to act on behalf of that Customer and as such, the Agent will be considered as the Customer in all corresponding references contained within this Rate Schedule. The Customer may not change Agents within the calendar month without the permission of the Company, unless the Agent's right to conduct business has been suspended by the Company, in which case, the Customer may act without an Agent or may provide written notice to the Company of the new Customer's Agent designated by the Customer. The Company will provide reasonable notice to Customer in the event of any suspension of Customer's Agent and will provide copies to Customer, on an expeditious basis and by electronic or other means, of any formal notices issued to the Customer's Agent. All Agents must utilize the electronic means made available by the Company in order to submit nominations. The Company may recover from the Agent all costs incurred in providing the Agent access to the electronic bulletin board.

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### AGENCY AUTHORIZATION FORM

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